

JOSEPH KERBY AND MARY
ELLEN MURPHY



Joseph Kerby was born March 16, 1857, to Francis Kerby II and Mary Le Carnu Kerby, handcart pioneers in the Oscar O. Stoddard handcart company. He married Mary Ellen Murphy, born September 23, 1861, daughter of Harriett D. Camp (Murphy) and Dixon Hamlin Greer, on October 23, 1879. Joseph died September 16, 1911 and Mary Ellen died September 26, 1938 in Provo.

Joseph was a painter, paper hanger, and an artist. He worked hard as did his wife and they raised a big family. Their grandchildren are engaged in this kind of work in

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Provo. Mary Ellen was a hard worker and kind mother.

Joseph painted many beautiful scenes of Provo Canyon and the mountains and lakes of Utah. He also was an exceptional actor and took part in many plays in Wasatch County, and Utah County.

They moved to Provo Bench about 1902 or 1903 where he bought a farm and it was kept in perfect shape.

Their children were: Melissa, Mark, Oasis, Harriett, Marion, Joseph, Francis, Margaret, Alma, Gladys, Alice.